

DIGEST SUPPLEMENT

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House Bills

HB 1022 by Representatives Lovick and O'Brien

Requiring seats and seatbelts for children in pickup truck beds.

Declares that it is unlawful for a person to transport a child, seventeen years old or younger, in or upon the uncovered bed of a pickup truck, unless that pickup truck has seats with seatbelts in the bed of the truck and the child is securely fastened in the seatbelt.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1023 by Representatives Delvin, Sump, Alexander, Buck and Armstrong

Revising annexation procedures for cities and towns. Revises annexation procedures for cities and towns. Repeals RCW 28A.335.110.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Local Government & Housing.

HB 1024 by Representatives Doumit, G. Chandler, Linville, Sump, Quall, Clements, Schoesler, Hatfield and Grant

Increasing the growing cycle for short-rotation hardwoods for tax purposes.

Amends RCW 84.33.035 to provide that "short-rotation hardwoods" means hardwood trees, such as but not limited to hybrid cottonwoods, cultivated by agricultural methods in growing cycles shorter than fifteen years.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources.

HB 1025 by Representatives Sump, Kessler, McMorris, B. Chandler, Linville, Schoesler, Doumit, G. Chandler, Grant, DeBolt, Hatfield, Benson, Clements, Skinner, Pearson, Morell, Cox, Eickmeyer, Armstrong, Delvin, Mulliken, Schindler, D. Schmidt, Ahern, Talcott, Kagi, Ericksen, Dunn, Haigh and Van Luven

Transferring general fund money to the fair fund.

Requires that, on July 1, 2001, the state treasurer shall transfer three million dollars from the general fund to the fair fund. On July 1, 2002, and on each July 1st thereafter, the state treasurer shall transfer an amount equal to the amount transferred on the preceding July 1st increased by the fiscal growth factor, defined under RCW 43.135.025, from the general fund to the fair fund.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1026 by Representatives O'Brien, Lovick, Hurst, Ballasiotes, Ahern and Kagi; by request of Department of Corrections

Authorizing the department of corrections to detain, search, or remove persons who enter correctional facilities or institutional grounds.

Provides that an employee of the department who is a limited authority Washington peace officer under RCW 10.93.020 may use reasonable force to detain, search, or remove persons who enter or remain without permission within a correctional facility or institutional grounds or whenever, upon probable cause, it appears to such employee that a person has committed or is attempting to commit a crime, or possesses contraband within a correctional facility or institutional grounds.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Criminal Justice & Corrections.

HB 1027 by Representatives Cairnes, Cody, Kenney, D. Schmidt and Dunn; by request of Horse Racing Commission

Establishing the live horse racing compact.

Declares that the purposes of the live horse racing compact are to:

- (1) Establish uniform requirements among the party states for the licensing of participants in live horse racing with pari-mutuel wagering, and ensure that all such participants who are licensed pursuant to the compact meet a uniform minimum standard of honesty and integrity;
- (2) Facilitate the growth of the horse racing industry in each party state and nation-wide by simplifying the process for licensing participants in live racing, and reduce the duplicative and costly process of separate licensing by the regulatory agency in each state that conducts live horse racing with pari-mutuel wagering;
- (3) Authorize the Washington horse racing commission to participate in the live horse racing compact;
- (4) Provide for participation in the live horse racing compact by officials of the party states, and permit those officials, through the compact committee established by this act, to enter into contracts with governmental agencies and nongovernmental persons to carry out the purposes of the live horse racing compact; and
- (5) Establish the compact committee created by this act as an interstate governmental entity duly authorized to request and receive criminal history record information from the federal bureau of investigation and other state and local law enforcement agencies.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1028 by Representatives Haigh, D. Schmidt, Romero, Conway, Kenney and Talcott

Revising the provision for military leave for public employees.

Amends RCW 38.40.060 relating to the provision for military leave for public employees.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to State Government.

HB 1029 by Representatives Haigh, Eickmeyer, Hunt and Cox

Establishing a process to resolve issues regarding payments owed by nonhigh school districts to high school districts.

Provides that when a dispute arises between a nonhigh school district and a high school district regarding payments under chapter 28A.545 RCW whether it is the amount due or the payment schedule, either district may petition the educational service district to appoint a mediator.

Provides that, if the mediator is unable to bring the districts to agreement within forty-five days of the appointment of the mediator, the educational service district shall hold a hearing within thirty days and then adopt an amount due or a payment plan within thirty days of the hearing.

Declares that the cost of mediation shall be paid by the petitioning school district.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1030 by Representatives Pennington, D. Schmidt, Kagi, Haigh and Pflug

Providing incentives to reduce air pollution through the use of clean alternative fuel vehicles.

Finds it is important to begin addressing the negative impacts of continued gasoline and diesel fuel use. Addressing motor vehicle emissions is further needed because of the expected increases in population and vehicle miles traveled, which threaten to erode air quality gains made over the last decade.

Declares that, in order to make net progress in improving air quality, reducing the threat of climate change, and protecting public health and the environment, the legislature finds it is necessary to encourage the use of clean alternative fuel vehicles.

Repeals RCW 43.19.637 and 82.38.075.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Ecology.

HB 1031 by Representatives Pennington, D. Schmidt, Kagi and Ruderman

Extending the use of high-occupancy vehicle lanes to clean-fuel vehicles.

Finds that the goals of the state and federal clean air acts will be advanced by extending the use of the high-occupancy vehicle lanes to federally certified clean-fuel vehicles as long as the vehicles are not a significant cause of congestion in the high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

Authorizes the state department of transportation and the local authorities, in consultation with the department of ecology, to permit a vehicle with one or more occupants to operate in high-occupancy vehicle lanes if it is certified as an inherently low-emission vehicle, ultra low-emission vehicle, or zero-emission vehicle pursuant to Title 40, Chapter 1, Part 88, Code of Federal Regulations, is labeled in accordance with section 88.312-93(c) of that title, and bears a special clean-fuel license plate as provided in this act.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1032 by Representatives Pennington and Pflug

Changing air pollution control measures.

Revises air pollution control measures in RCW 70.120.170.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Ecology.

HB 1033 by Representatives Pennington and Mielke

Changing provisions relating to local air authorities. Revises provisions relating to local air authorities.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Ecology.

HB 1034 by Representatives Pennington, Mielke and Schindler

Changing outdoor burning provisions.

Revises RCW 70.94.743 and 70.94.745 relating to outdoor burning provisions.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Ecology.

HB 1035 by Representative Pennington

Extending a program of steelhead recovery in certain counties.

Extends the termination date of the management board created to implement the habitat portion of the lower Columbia steelhead conservation initiative to July 1, 2006.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources.

HB 1036 by Representatives Benson and Hatfield; by request of Department of Financial Institutions

Investigating alien banks.

Increases the requirement for investigations of alien banks doing business in the state from once a year to once every eighteen months.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1037 by Representatives Dunn, Ogden, Dunshee, Mulliken, Edmonds, O'Brien, Fromhold, Lambert, Boldt and Mielke

Moving mobile homes by mobile home park owners.

Amends RCW 46.44.170 relating to moving permits for owners of mobile home parks.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1038 by Representatives Pennington, Ogden, Talcott and Pflug

Authorizing the listing of emergency contact information on drivers' licenses.

Directs the department of licensing to provide a line on the back side of each driver's license labeled "emergency contact information," with sufficient space for a licensee to fill in a name and telephone number.

Directs the department to notify the recipients of drivers' licenses either orally or in writing at the time of the issuance of the license of the existence of the line and shall notify the recipients that the purpose of the line is to allow licensees to fill in the name and telephone number of a person that the recipient would like contacted in the case of an emergency.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Senate Bills

SB 5103 by Senators Haugen, Benton, T. Sheldon, Winsley, McAuliffe, Rasmussen and

Rossi

Establishing "Help Kids Speak" license plates.

Declares that, in cooperation with the Washington state patrol and the department of licensing, the sponsors of the "Help Kids Speak" program shall create and design, and the department shall issue, a special license plate displaying a symbol of a nonprofit charitable organization and the words "Help Kids Speak" that may be used in lieu of regular or personalized license plates for motor vehicles required to display two motor vehicle license plates, excluding vehicles registered under chapter 46.87 RCW, upon terms and conditions established by the department. The special plates will commemorate the "Help Kids Speak" organization.

Establishes fees for the plates to be used to support the program.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5104 by Senator Carlson

Using revenues under the county conservation futures levy.

Provides that a county may levy an amount not to exceed ten cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation against the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the county, three and three-quarter cents of which shall be used to acquire real property for the purpose of preserving salmon habitat.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Parks & Shorelines.

SB 5105 by Senator Prentice

Allowing chiropractors to be licensed for the purposes of boxing and martial arts events.

Authorizes chiropractors to be licensed for the purposes of boxing and martial arts events.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5106 by Senators Prentice and Oke

Regulating juvenile life insurance.

Requires life insurers to develop and implement underwriting standards and procedures designed to detect

and prevent the purchase of juvenile life insurance for speculative or fraudulent purposes.

Requires life insurers to maintain records of underwriting rejections of applications for life insurance on juvenile lives for a period of twenty-five years.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5107 by Senators T. Sheldon, Honeyford, Hargrove and Rasmussen

Authorizing rural counties to use alternative methods to achieve planning goals.

Authorizes a rural county, after conferring with its cities, to develop alternative methods of achieving the planning goals established by RCW 36.70A.020.

Declares that the authority provided by this act may not be used to modify:

- (1) Requirements for the designation and protection of critical areas or for the designation of natural resource lands under RCW 36.70A.060(2), 36.70A.170, and 36.70A.172; or
- (2) The requirement to establish a process for the siting of essential public facilities pursuant to RCW 36.70A.200.

Provides that, in any petition concerning whether or not a rural county's methods of achieving planning goals are in compliance with chapter 36.70A RCW, the board shall give great weight to decisions made by the rural county with regard to developing alternative methods of achieving planning goals under this act, and the board shall find that such alternative methods are in compliance with this chapter unless it finds by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that the alternative methods will not achieve the planning goals established by RCW 36.70A.020.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 5108 by Senators T. Sheldon, Benton, Snyder, Hargrove, Sheahan, Gardner, Rasmussen

and Stevens

Modifying provisions relating to the growing of short-rotation hardwood trees on agricultural land.

Declares that "short-rotation hardwoods" means hardwood trees, such as, but not limited to hybrid cottonwoods, cultivated by agricultural methods in growing cycles shorter than fifteen years.

Declares that "forest trees" does not include hardwood trees cultivated by agricultural methods in growing cycles shorter than fifteen years if the trees were planted on land that was not in forest use immediately before the trees were planted and before the land was prepared for planting the trees. "Forest trees" includes Christmas trees.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 Held on first reading.

SB 5109 by Senators T. Sheldon, Hargrove, Finkbeiner, Johnson and Stevens

Prohibiting basic parkland access fees.

Amends RCW 79A.05.070 to provide that the commission shall not charge fees for basic parkland access.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Parks & Shorelines.

SB 5110 by Senators Kastama, Winsley, Franklin, Hargrove, Regala and Oke

Prohibiting ephedrine sales.

Declares that ephedrine products may only be sold in packages with counts of forty-eight or less.

Provides that no retailer may knowingly sell to a single customer, in any twenty-four hour period, more than three packages of a product containing ephedrine in counts of forty-eight or less per package or containing a total weight of more than three grams of ephedrine per package.

Provides that no customer may purchase or acquire, in any twenty-four hour period, more than three packages of a product containing ephedrine in counts of forty-eight or less per package or containing a total weight of more than three grams of ephedrine per package.

Declares that no person my possess more than fifteen grams of ephedrine.

Provides that a person convicted of violating this act is guilty of a gross misdemeanor punishable by a fine of no more than five thousand dollars, imprisonment of no more than one year, or by both fine and imprisonment.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5111 by Senators Thibaudeau, Winsley and Costa

Protecting charitable trusts.

Finds that the attorney general represents the public interest in securing enforcement of charitable trusts. However, statutory provisions are needed to clarify the role of the attorney general and provide regulatory authority to the insurance commissioner to assure preservation of the fair market value of the charitable trust when the corporate structure is altered.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5112 by Senators Costa, Swecker, Fairley, Oke, Gardner, Haugen, Eide, Kohl-Welles and

Patterson

Applying child restraint system laws to children up to eight years of age or eighty pounds.

Applies child restraint system laws to children up to eight years of age or eighty pounds.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5113 by Senators Costa, Swecker, Kastama, Fairley, Oke, Gardner, Haugen and Eide

Regulating motorized scooters.

Provides for the regulation of the use of motorized scooters.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5114 by Senators Horn, T. Sheldon, Hochstatter, Hargrove, Costa, Roach, Oke, Haugen, Zarelli, Regala, Fairley, Snyder, Morton, Benton, Constantine, Johnson, Stevens, McDonald, B. Sheldon, Sheahan, Long, Gardner and Rossi

Modifying motorcycle provisions.

Declares that moneys deposited into the motorcycle safety education account shall be used only for the purposes authorized in RCW 46.20.505 through 46.20.520.

Declares that the provisions of chapter 82.12 RCW do not apply with respect to the use of motorcycles loaned or purchased for use in a motorcycle operator training and education program created under RCW 46.20.520.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5115 by Senators Costa, Long, Fairley, Kline, Hargrove and McCaslin

Revising court filing fees for tax warrants and recovery of state agency overpayments.

Revises court filing fees for tax warrants and recovery of state agency overpayments.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5116 by Senators Costa, Long, Kastama, Hargrove, Gardner, Eide and McCaslin

Creating the crime of voyeurism in the second degree.

Declares that a person commits the crime of voyeurism in the second degree if, under circumstances not constituting voyeurism in the first degree, for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person, he or she knowingly views, photographs, or films another person under or through the clothing being worn by that other person, for the purpose of viewing, photographing, or filming the body of, or the undergarments worn by, the other person, without that person's knowledge and consent.

Declares that voyeurism in the first degree is a class C felony, and voyeurism in the second degree is a gross misdemeanor.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5117 by Senators Costa, Long, Hargrove, Kline and Gardner

Limiting disclosure of investigative records.

Provides that, except for disclosure to a criminal justice agency, investigative records may only be disseminated or disclosed under the following circumstances:

- (1) All suspects identified in the investigative records have been arraigned on any charges filed based upon the investigation, and the judge presiding over the criminal proceedings determines, after hearing from the defendant or the defendant's attorney, the prosecuting attorney, the lead investigator, and the individual requesting copies of the investigative records, that the individual requesting copies of the investigative records has established by clear evidence that release of the investigative records will not interfere with the suspect's right to a fair trial or with any continuing investigation;
- (2) The convictions of all suspects identified in the investigative records are final as defined in RCW 10.73.090, and neither the prosecuting attorney nor investigative agency has established by clear evidence that release of the investigative records will interfere with any pending civil actions or related investigations; or
- (3) CrR 4.7 or CrRLJ 4.7 permit dissemination of investigative records to individuals who have been charged with crimes or to the attorney or agents of individuals who have been charged with crimes.

Declares that investigative records, as defined in RCW 10.97.030, are exempt from the disclosure requirements of chapter 42.17 RCW.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5118 by Senators Costa, Long, Hargrove, Fairley and Oke

Enacting the interstate compact for adult offender supervision.

Enacts the interstate compact for adult offender supervision.

Declares that the sum of eighty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium ending June 30, 2003, from the general fund to the department of corrections for the purpose of paying annual assessments levied by the interstate commission for adult offender supervision under article X of the interstate compact for adult offender supervision, section 2 of this act.

Provides that the interstate compact for adult offender supervision becomes effective and binding July 1, 2001, or

on the date of enactment of the interstate compact for adult offender supervision by thirty-five jurisdictions, whichever is later.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5119 by Senators Costa, Long, Kastama, McCaslin, Fairley, Hargrove, Gardner, Eide, McAuliffe, Carlson, Rasmussen and Oke

Increasing penalties for vehicular homicide while intoxicated.

Increases penalties for vehicular homicide while intoxicated.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5120 by Senators Costa, Long, Kastama, Hargrove, Gardner and McCaslin

Authorizing local governments to increase the penalties for opening or consuming liquor in a public place.

Provides that the legislative body of a county or city is authorized to enact an ordinance providing for a misdemeanor penalty for this offense.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5121 by Senators Regala, Morton, Oke, Eide, Fraser and Jacobsen

Correcting references to the former office of marine safety.

Corrects references to the former office of marine safety.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Water.

SB 5122 by Senators Costa, Long and Hargrove

Revising procedures and standards for commitment of sexually violent predators.

Finds that presentation of evidence related to conditions of a less restrictive alternative that are beyond the authority of the court to order, and that would not exist in the absence of a court order, reduces the public respect for the rule of law and for the authority of the courts.

Finds that the decision in *In re the Detention of Casper Ross*, No. 23523-4-II, Aug. 18, 2000 (6 P.3d 625), is contrary to the legislature's intent.

Declares that the legislature here clarifies that it intends, and has always intended, in any proceeding under chapter 71.09 RCW that the court and jury be presented only with conditions that would exist or that the court

would have the authority to order in the absence of a finding that the person is a sexually violent predator.

Declares that this act applies to all individuals currently committed or awaiting commitment under chapter 71.09 RCW either on, before, or after the effective date of this act, whether confined in a secure facility or on conditional release.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5123 by Senators Costa, Long and Hargrove

Revising the crime of escape as it relates to sexually violent predators.

Revises the crime of escape as it relates to sexually violent predators.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5124 by Senator Jacobsen

Specifying customer notice requirements for competitive telecommunications companies and services.

Requires that a telecommunications company providing a competitive telecommunications service shall notify, in writing, each affected customer at least ten days prior to the effective date of a change in price or any other material term or condition of a customer's service agreement.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Economic D e v e l o p m e n t & Telecommunications.

SB 5125 by Senators Jacobsen, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Kohl-Welles, Oke and Patterson

Creating the wildlife conservationist award program.

Declares that the purpose of the program is to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions toward conserving Washington's diverse plant and animal populations.

Declares that the program consists of two annual awards.

Declares that the recipient of each award is entitled to select a nonprofit wildlife conservation organization to receive a sum of up to twenty-five thousand dollars from the state.

Directs the department to develop guidelines for selecting award recipients and incorporate into the program elements that provide for public recognition of the contributions made by the recipients.

Authorizes the department to create an advisory committee to assist the department in developing the guidelines and in selecting recipients.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Parks & Shorelines.

SB 5126 by Senators Spanel, Patterson, Morton, McDonald, Regala, Gardner, Fraser, Rasmussen and Oke

Regarding technical and clarifying amendments to the pipeline safety act of 2000.

Makes technical and clarifying amendments to the pipeline safety act of 2000.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Environment, Energy & Water.

SB 5127 by Senators Prentice, Patterson, McAuliffe and McDonald

Determining the number of unclassified personnel in the sheriff's office.

Amends RCW 41.14.070 to determine the number of unclassified personnel in the sheriff's office.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5128 by Senator Swecker

Removing limitation on prescription medications for industrial injuries.

Amends RCW 51.36.010 to delete a limitation on prescription medications for industrial injuries.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce & Financial Institutions.

SB 5129 by Senators Rasmussen, Swecker and Patterson

Establishing a voluntary natural landmark registry.

Directs each county or city required to or choosing to plan under RCW 36.70A.040 to establish a voluntary natural landmark registry.

Requires the registry to be open to participation to any landowner who wants to preserve a natural feature including, but not limited to, a mature grove of trees, interesting combinations of natural vegetation, or unusual geologic features.

Provides that, in order to be approved, the natural landmark status must be supported by a federal, state, or

local natural resource management agency, or a private environmental organization.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 5130 by Senators Oke, B. Sheldon, T. Sheldon, Horn, Haugen, Swecker, McCaslin, Morton, Snyder, Hale, Kastama, Prentice, Regala, Jacobsen, Hargrove, Spanel, West, Finkbeiner, Long, McDonald, Winsley, McAuliffe and Costa

Clarifying toll procedures in public-private initiatives.

Finds and declares that it is in the interest of the state and the traveling public to improve the safety and efficiency of state highways and bridges as expeditiously as possible. The existing Tacoma Narrows bridge section of the SR 16 corridor located in Pierce and Kitsap counties, among others, is a threat to public health and safety because of congestion and a high number of accidents, injuries, and fatalities. Millions of dollars are lost annually because of travel delays and accidents that cause personal and property damage. These conditions are the result of insufficient capacity, substandard effective lane widths, lack of emergency shoulders, and no separation of oncoming traffic due to the physical limitation of the existing bridge.

Declares that "toll bridge" and "toll road" as used in chapter 47.56 RCW does not include a facility that is developed, financed, constructed, reconstructed, upgraded, maintained, or operated under chapter 47.46 RCW and for which funds have been appropriated under RCW 47.46.030, notwithstanding the fact that the facility was originally constructed under this chapter.

Declares that once bonds issued by the commission for construction of a toll bridge or other toll facility have been paid, redeemed, or defeased in full, the toll bridge or other toll facility may be thereafter included in projects that have been authorized under chapter 47.46 RCW and for which funds have been appropriated under RCW 47.46.030, and tolls on the facilities must be established as provided by chapter 47.46 RCW.

Repeals RCW 47.56.271.

Declares that for all reasons, declarations, and facts stated in this act, the legislature declares that an emergency exists and that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SCR 8404 by Senato

by Senators Kohl-Welles, Prentice, Winsley, Carlson, Horn, McAuliffe and

Franklin

Adopting the update to the state comprehensive plan for work force training and education.

Adopts the update to the state comprehensive plan for work force training and education.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 11 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

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